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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 28TH, 1895.

In addressing the Tung Wah Hospital Committee the other day H.E. the Governor spoke of certain agitators who were stirring up strife in the colony, whose names he knew, and with reference to whom he might deem it necessary to take certain steps if they continued their course. We do not know what steps His Excellency may have in contemplation, but no measure that the Government has it in its power to take would be too strong in the case of persons who incite their ignorant fellow countrymen to resist the law. In the late coolie strike for instance, which was in its nature a sedition movement, the Government, if it could have laid its hands on the promoters, would not only have been justified in taking the most rigorous measures possible with regard to them, but would have failed in its duty if it had not done so. Under Ordinance 8 of 1882 the Governor in Council has power to banish any one not being a natural-born or naturalised subject of Her Majesty. It is not even necessary that the person banished should have been convicted of any offence in a court of law, the only proviso in his favour being that the order of banishment shall obtain a statement of the grounds upon which it is made. The statement of the grounds might possibly be of service to the person affected should he wish to appeal to the Secretary of State, but, saving any instructions that might be issued upon such appeal, it is entirely within the discretion of the Governor in Council to banish any alien whatsoever, whether of Chinese or other nationality. The power is a very great one, and to be used only with great discretion, but there ought to be no hesitation in using it when there is any clear attempt to stir up resistance to the law of the colony. But between resistance to the law and a constitutional agitation for the repeal or amendment of an obnoxious law, there is a wide difference and it would be lamentable indeed if the Government used its power of banishment for the purpose of restricting freedom of speech, even though the freedom may be sometimes abused. It would be well, indeed, in this colony if the Chinese could be encouraged to give a fuller expression to their opinions than they have hitherto been accustomed to do, for at present the Government has to work largely in the dark and has no reliable means of testing the pulse of the native community. As His Excellency's remarks about taking steps against agitators were made in connection with his reference to the meeting held at the Tung Wah Hospital it may be inferred that he was thinking more particularly of the speeches made at that meeting, although he may have intended his remarks also to have a more general application. And so far as the meeting at the Tung Wah was concerned we think the remarks were ill-considered. A good deal was said at the meeting, to which exception must be taken, but it is not a principle of English law to shut a man's mouth because his views do not command the approval of the powers that be. On the contrary, free speech is recognised as one of the greatest safeguards of peace and order, because when the people are allowed to air their grievances in a constitutional manner they are less liable to break out in tumult. But if His Excellency desired to take action against the speakers at the meeting referred to he would not be able to do so under the Banishment Ordinance, because one of them is a natural born and the other a naturalised British subject. Nor would a criminal prosecution lie in connec-

tion with anything that was said at the meeting. It is not easy to see, therefore, what could be done, unless it were to strike Mr. Ho Tung's name off the Commission of the Peace, and that we venture to predict, would not be approved by the home Government, for it would be altogether too preposterous to visit a man with any pains and penalties for speaking in favour of the repeal of an obnoxious law, even if in the heat of declamation he were betrayed into using indelicate expressions. His Excellency recently expressed regret that after fifty-five years of intercourse with us the Chinese community remained so little anglicised. We would venture to submit to His Excellency's consideration that to fine or imprison people for taking a walk along the streets after seven o'clock in the evening or to impose restrictions on the free expression of opinion on public questions is not calculated to further the anglicising process he has at heart.

The P. & O. steamer *Shanghai* from China arrived at London on the 25th inst.

Messrs. Doocell, Carlill & Co. inform us that the *Shanghai* was towed into Port Townsend on the 25th inst. Further advices are promised.

The C. P. steamer *Empress of China*, from Vancouver, arrived at Yokohama at 7.30 a.m. on Wednesday, and left at 2 p.m. the same day for Hongkong via Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai.

The body of the Chinese who was drowned in the harbour some time ago was found on Christmas day by the police of Tsin-tsun, and it was taken to the cemetery and buried under the supervision of Lieutenant Alexander.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherlands Fund took the opportunity with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals—
Pawabokers' Guild—\$100.

This afternoon at the Happy Valley in the Football Cup Competition, 25th Company, S.D. R.A. will play H.M.S. *Centurion*. Kick-off at 4.15. This is the last in the second round. Referee, Mr. E. F. Macleay.

The narrow morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam launch *Dayspring*, carrying the British flag, will call alongside any vessel hoisting the answering pennant to convey the same to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's (Seamen's) Church, returning about 12.30.

At Singapore the other day a thief who was pinching the stores of Messrs. Watson & Sons, was caught by himself in another amateur man's pocket book to set his fancy on a bell, valued at two or three dollars, and having annexed that without attracting attention was leaving the place with the bell carefully concealed up his capacious sleeve. As he passed through the door however, by a lucky mischance—lucky at any rate for the thief—he inadvertently struck the bell furiously ringing, and all the employees at once gave chase, and found the thief, and secured the stolen property after a sharp tussle.

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Since last Tuesday four Chinese have died from plague and two Portuguese patients are now in the hospital. The first case came to light on the 20th, Queen's Road, yesterday afternoon. Mr. Granville Sharp, president of the Association for the protection of the Chinese, and having annexed that without attracting attention was leaving the place with the bell carefully concealed up his capacious sleeve. As he passed through the door however, by a lucky mischance—lucky at any rate for the thief—he inadvertently struck the bell furiously ringing, and all the employees at once gave chase, and found the thief, and secured the stolen property after a sharp tussle.

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STEAMSHIP "SHANKOW",
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-
HAMA, AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to render in their Bills of Lading for consideration, and to take the steamer's delivery of their Goods from abroad.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [2687]

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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND
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THE Steamer

"CATHERINE APCAR,"

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Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 27th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the "Godown" of the Wanchai Warehouse and Stow Co., Limited, Wanchai.

Consignees of cargo from Singapore and Penang are requested to take individual delivery of the Goods from alongside, such cargo including the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASOON, SONS & CO.,

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Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2688]

STEAMSHIP "NATAL."

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH

"BIN" LINE OF STEAMERS

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Steamer

"BENGLOE"

Captain Thomson will be despatched as above
on or about TO-DAY, the 28th inst.

For Freight, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2685]

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STEAMSHIP "CARLOWITZ & CO."

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1895. [2690]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS

THE Company's Steamer

"CLAM"

Captain D. T. Davis will be despatched as
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Hongkong, 12th December, 1895. [2691]

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CALCUTTA

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Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2693]

STEAMSHIP "CARLOWITZ & CO."

Agents.

Hongkong, 25th December, 1895. [2693]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THE Company's Steamer

"POLYPHEMUS"

Captain Goodwin will be despatched as above
on or about the 12th January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2693]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE Steamer

"KAIPONG,"

Captain Davis will be despatched TO-DAY,
the 28th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2694]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE Steamer

"TAMSUI,"

Captain Pierce, will be despatched TO-DAY,
the 28th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2695]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE Steamer

"MERIONETHSHIRE,"

Captain Davies, will be despatched as above on
or about TO-DAY, the 28th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2696]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamer

"SWATOW,"

Captain Davis, will be despatched TO-DAY,
the 28th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRANCE & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2697]

NORTHERN PACIFIC
STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD
COMPANIES.

THE Company's Steamer

"THALES,"

Captain Ballantyne, will be despatched for the
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 29th inst., at
DAVIT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRANCE & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2698]

NORTHERN PACIFIC
STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD
COMPANIES.

THE Company's Steamer

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHATOW, SHANGHAI AND
CHIEFOO.

THE Steamer

"TAMSUI,"

Captain Pierce, will be despatched TO-DAY,
the 28th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2698]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE Steamer

"TACOMA,"

sailing at NOON, on TUESDAY, the 14th
January, will proceed to SHANGHAI, KORE,
YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., and
TACOMA, Wash.Three Bills of Lading issued to Japan,
British Columbia, and to Canadian
United States Points.Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Points should be in quadruplicate, and one copy
must be sent forward by the steamer to the care
of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad,
Tacoma, Wash.Particulars must be sent to our Office (with address
in full) in 3 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply toDODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2699]

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United States Points.Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo
designed to point beyond San Francisco in
the United States should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.Particulars must be sent to our Office (with address
in full) in 3 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply toDODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1895. [2699]

THE "BIN" LINE OF STEAMERS

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Steamer

"BENGLOE"

Captain Thomson will be despatched as above
on or about TO-DAY, the 28th inst.

For Freight, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2695]

THE "BIN" LINE OF STEAMERS

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Steamer

"BENGLOE"

Captain Thomson will be despatched as above
on or about TO-DAY, the 28th inst.

For Freight, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2695]